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MEETING AGENDA

CONSENT*

COMMUNICATIONS ITEM(S):

- 1. <u>AMERITECH COMMUNICATIONS INTERNATIONAL, DOCKET NO. 2003-738</u>, Request to Abandon Services, Draft Order (Ballou)
- 2. <u>INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE COMM, INC. D/B/A IECOM, DOCKET NO. 2003-782</u>, Request to Abandon Services. Draft Order (Ballou)
- 3. MATRIX TELECOM, DOCKET NO. 2003-783, Request for Waiver of Applicable Anti-Slamming Rules, Draft Order (Ballou)

REGULAR

COMMUNICATIONS ITEM(S):

- 4. <u>MID-MAINE TELECOM, DOCKET NO. 2002-496</u>, Request for Universal Service Funding; and <u>MID-MAINE TELECOM, DOCKET NO. 2003-490</u>, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Orders (Ballou)
- TDS TELECOM COMPANIES (Cobbosseecontee, Hampden, Hartland and St. Albans, Somerset, Warren, and West Penobscot Telephone Companies), DOCKET NO. 2002-497, Request for Universal Service Funding; TDS TELECOM COMPANIES (Cobbosseecontee, Hampden, Hartland and St. Albans, Somerset, Warren, and West Penobscot Telephone Companies), DOCKET NO. 2003-484, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Orders (Ballou)
- LINCOLNVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2002-518, Request for Universal Service Funding; LINCOLNVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-486, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204; TIDEWATER TELECOM, DOCKET NO. 2002-529, Request for Universal Service Funding; and TIDEWATER TELECOM, DOCKET NO. 2003-487, Implementation of 2002 Amendments to Chapter 204, Draft Orders (Ballou)
- 7. NORTHLAND TELEPHONE COMPANY OF MAINE, DOCKET NO. 2002-747, Proposed Rate Change (11.5%) Increase; SIDNEY TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-34, Complaint Requesting Commission Action Into Sidney Telephone Company's Rates for Local Exchange Service; MAINE TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-35, Complaint Requesting Commission Action Into Maine Telephone Company's Rates for

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Local Exchange Service; CHINA TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-36, Complaint Requesting Commission Action Into China Telephone Company's Rates for Local Exchange Service; STANDISH TELEPHONE COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-37, Complaint Requesting Commission Action Into Standish Telephone Company's Rates for Local Exchange Service, Consideration of Stipulation (Ballou)

- 8. FAIRPOINT NEW ENGLAND (China Telephone Company, Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Sidney Telephone Company, Standish Telephone Company, Community Service Telephone Company) DOCKET NO. 2003-475 Request for Approval of Reorganization (Joint Application Related to the Sale of Stock of Community Service Telephone and CommTel Communications, Inc.), Consideration of Stipulation (Ballou)
- 9. <u>VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. D/B/A VERIZON MAINE, DOCKET NO. 2003-648</u>, Request for Waiver of Rules Pertaining to Bill Format (Chapters 290 and 292), Consideration of Request (Davidson)
- 10. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2003-777, Investigation Into the October 15, 2003 Rapid Response Complaint of Cornerstone Communications, Inc., Consideration of the Recommendation of the Rapid Response Team (Bragdon)

CONSERVATION ITEM(S):

- 11. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2002-162, Proce Planning, Consideration of Transition Plan for Interim Energy Conservation
- 12. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2003-794, Investigation Into Building Operator Curriculum Program, Consideration of Order Approving Sole Source Contract with Lewia Consulting (Bergeron)

ELECTRIC ITEM(S):

- 13. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2003-670, Standard Offer Bidding Procedure, Consideration of Maine Public Service Company's Standard Offer Bids (Buckley/Huntington)
- 14. <u>CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-704</u>, Request for Exemption From the Town of Kittery's Zoning Regulations, Consideration of Motions to Dismiss Central Maine Power Company's Petition by the Town of Kittery and Intervenors Kerrin McColl et al (Buckley)
- 15. <u>BANGOR HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMPANY, DOCKET NO. 2003-761</u>, Proposed Tariff Revision Authorizing Bangor Hydro-Electric Company or Its Vendor to Charge a Fee For Customers to Pay Their Bills Under an Electronic Bill Payment Arrangement, Consideration of Order (Steneck)

MULTI-UTILITY ITEM(S)

16. MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, DOCKET NO. 2002-151, Investigation Into the Adequacy of Utility Services in Maine During Power Outages, Consideration of Examiner's Report (Bragdon)

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